(d) the number of quarters that are kept vacant for months together, which resulted in loss of Government revenue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Some complaints have been received in this regard. However, all requests for work of addition/alteration cannot be taken up due to limits of budget allocation for the purpose. As such no one is guilty of non-implementation of orders.

(d) The number of quarters remaining vacant varies from month to month. It is the endeavour to bring houses to habitable condition in the shortest time and shrink the time span between vacation and allotment.

Ownership of terrace in DDA three/four storey blocks

2563. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the DDA's rule position with regard to the use/ownership of terrace by the top floor allottee in three/four storey DDA blocks both where there is open access to the terrace and where the access to terrace is through the top floor flat;

(b) whether this position has been laid down, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the position changes with the transfer of the colony to the corporation or conversion of top floor flat from lease-hold to free-hold; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the justification therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has reported that the top floor allottee has the right of use of the roof terrace of the three/four storey flats subject to the provision of access to the residents of the block for maintenance of water tank/plumbing systems/fixing of TV antennae etc.

(b) Yes, Sir. This position has been laid down by DDA in the "Guidelines for the benefit of the allottees of flats".

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.

Performance of sports at International level

†2564. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for India's dismal performance in games like Football, Hockey and now a days in Cricket at International level;

(b) whether Government have made efforts to find out the reasons behind it; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, and steps being taken by Government to bring India's performance at par with International level?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (c) The promotion of sports is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments at the state level, and of the National Sports Federations (NSFs) concerned with various sports disciplines at the national level. These NSFs are registered autonomous bodies. The Government, however, supplements them in efforts by providing financial assistance for training and participation in international sports events abroad, organization of national/international tournaments in India, training/ coaching of national level sportspersons/teams under Indian and foreign coaches with requisite technical & scientific back-up, procurement of sports equipment etc. under its scheme "Assistance to National Sports Federations". It may be mentioned here that the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) is not seeking any assistance for any of its activities from the Government.

With a view to improving India's performance in international events, Long Term Development Plans (LTDPs) are prepared in respect of different disciplines by the NSFs concerned, which include components relating to coaching, training camps, participation of teams in international events, specific equipment requirements, etc. and assistance is provided to the NSFs keeping these in view. The Government is reviewing the various components of the existing scheme of "Assistance to National Sports

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